

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 3 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend claim 9 as follows with a marked up copy of the amended claim being included in an Appendix attached hereto:

D 9. (Twice Amended) The ligand-bonded complex according to claim 1, wherein the microparticle is selected from the group consisting of a low molecular drug, a protein, a micelle, and a liposome.

Please add claims 19-26, as follows:

19. (New) The ligand-bonded complex according to claim 1, including a drug for at least one of therapeutic and prophylactic treatments and diagnosis in the microparticle.

20. (New) The ligand-bonded complex according to claim 2, including a drug for at least one of therapeutic and prophylactic treatments and diagnosis in the microparticle.

D2 21. (New) The ligand-bonded complex according to claim 4, including a drug for at least one of therapeutic and prophylactic treatments and diagnosis in the microparticle.

22. (New) The ligand-bonded complex according to claim 5, including a drug for at least one of therapeutic and prophylactic treatments and diagnosis in the microparticle.

23. (New) The ligand-bonded complex according to claim 6, including a drug for at least one of therapeutic and prophylactic treatments and diagnosis in the microparticle.